

Document: Proposed Rule

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TITLE 575 STATE SCHOOL BUS COMMITTEE

Proposed Rule

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DIGEST

Adds 575 IAC 1-8 to prescribe performance standards and measurements for determining the physical ability necessary for a person to be a school bus driver as provided for by IC 20-9.1-4-4(b). Effective 30 days after filing with secretary of state.

575 IAC 1-8

SECTION 1. 575 IAC 1-8 IS ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

Rule 8. School Bus Driver Physical Performance Standards and Measurements

575 IAC 1-8-1 Exiting the bus

Authority: IC 20-9.1-4-4

Affected: IC 20-9.1-5

Sec. 1. (a) Driver shall demonstrate the ability to exit the bus from a seat belted position in the driver's seat and exiting from the rearmost emergency door.

(b) The measurement is pass/fail. (State School Bus Committee; 575 IAC 1-8-1)

575 IAC 1-8-2 Quick reaction time between accelerator and service brake

Authority: IC 20-9.1-4-4

Affected: IC 20-9.1-5

Sec. 2. (a) Driver shall demonstrate quick reaction time between accelerator and service brake.

(b) In a seat belted position, driver shall, with the right foot, alternately depress the accelerator and service brake ten (10) times in ten (10) seconds or less. (State School Bus Committee; 575 IAC 1-8-2)

575 IAC 1-8-3 Climbing and descending bus service door steps

Authority: IC 20-9.1-4-4

Affected: IC 20-9.1-5

Sec. 3. (a) Driver shall demonstrate the ability to climb and descend the bus service door steps in a forward facing position two (2) times without stopping.

(b) The measurement is pass/fail. (State School Bus Committee; 575 IAC 1-8-3)

575 IAC 1-8-4 Opening and closing bus service door

Authority: IC 20-9.1-4-4

Affected: IC 20-9.1-5

Sec. 4. (a) Driver shall demonstrate the ability to open and close the bus service door two (2) times without stopping from a seat belted position.

(b) The measurement is pass/fail. *(State School Bus Committee; 575 IAC 1-8-4)*

575 IAC 1-8-5 Operating hand control on steering wheel

Authority: IC 20-9.1-4-4

Affected: IC 20-9.1-5

Sec. 5. (a) Driver shall demonstrate the ability to operate one (1) hand control on each side of the steering wheel while the bus is in a safe forward motion.

(b) The measurement is pass/fail. *(State School Bus Committee; 575 IAC 1-8-5)*

575 IAC 1-8-6 Applicability

Authority: IC 20-9.1-4-4

Affected: IC 20-9.1-5

Sec. 6. The performance standards and measurements outlined in this rule apply to every school bus driver. *(State School Bus Committee; 575 IAC 1-8-6)*

Notice of Public Hearing

Under IC 4-22-2-24, notice is hereby given that on August 14, 2001 at 6:30 p.m., at Jasper High School, 1600 St. Charles Street, Jasper, Indiana; AND on August 16, 2001 at 6:30 p.m., at Grissom Middle School, 13881 Kern Road, Mishawaka, Indiana; AND on August 20, 2001 at 6:30 p.m., at the Franklin Township Middle School, 6019 South Franklin Road, Room D401, Indianapolis, Indiana the State School Bus Committee will hold a public hearing on proposed new rules to prescribe performance standards and measurements for determining the physical ability necessary for a person to be a school bus driver as provided for by IC 20-9.1-4-4(b). Copies of these rules are now on file at 229 State House and Legislative Services Agency, One North Capitol, Suite 325, Indianapolis, Indiana and are open for public inspection.

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